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SUBJ: SADAT ON CHADIAN SITUATION

REF CAIRO 11398,

1. DURING CODEL HAMILTON'S MEETING WITH SADAT YESTERDAY IN ALEXANDRIA (SEPTTEL), I WAS SEATED NEXT TO VP MUBARAK. HE WHISPERED TO ME THAT HE HAD MANAGED TO ARRANGE A RECONCILIATION BETWEEN CHADIAN PRES MALLOUM AND INSURGENT LEADER HUSSEIN HABRE. SADAT, WHO OVERHEARD THE VP'S COMMENTS, THEN LEANED OVER AND SAID HE WANTED TO BRIEF ME ON THE VP'S MISSION AFTER THE CODEL HAMILTON SESSION SO THAT PRES CARTER COULD BE KEPT UP TO DATE ON DEVELOPMENTS.

2. IN OUR SUBSEQUENT PRIVATE MEETING, AT WHICH THE VP WAS PRESENT, SADAT EXPLAINED THAT THE VP HAD FOUND NUMAYRI TO BE WELL ACQUAINTED WITH THE SUDANESE/CHADIAN BORDER SITUATION. RE MALLOUM'S REQUEST THAT SUDAN OCCUPY PART OF EASTERN CHAD, NUMAYRI HAD POINTED OUT THAT ANY SUCH ACTION WOULD SIMPLY PROMOTE CONFLICT BETWEEN SUDAN AND HABRE-LED MUSLIM ELEMENTS IN EASTERN CHAD. SADAT WONDERED WHETHER THAT MIGHT BE WHAT MALLOUM HAD IN MIND IN MAKING REQUEST.

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3. AS SADAT HAD PREVIOUSLY TOLD ME, NUMAYRI KNOWS HABRE WELL. THE SUDANESE PRESIDENT HAD TELEPHONED SADAT TO SUGGEST THAT INSTEAD OF SUDANESE OCCUPATION OF EASTERN CHAD, AN ATTEMPT SHOULD BE MADE TO WORK OUT A RECONCILIATION BETWEEN MALLOUM AND HABRE SO THAT BOTH WOULD OPPOSED GOUKOUNI. SINCE HABRE HAS MET WITH NUMAYRI FOUR OR FIVE TIMES, NUMAYRI THOUGHT

SUCH A RECONCILIATION WAS QUITE POSSIBLE.

4. SADAT HAD THEN AUTHORIZED VP MUBARAK ALSO TO TALK TO HABRE AND THEREAFTER TO PROCEED TO CHAD TO DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH MALLOUM. AS PRICE FOR RECONCILIATION, HABRE HAD PRESENTED SOME DEMANDS, WHICH SADAT DESCRIBED AS "PRACTICAL AND HUMBLE." SPECIFICALLY, HABRE WANTED HIS PEOPLE TO HAVE "A SHARE" IN GOVT AND IN THE ARMY. HE ALSO WISHED THE CHADIAN GOVT TO DO MORE FOR EDUCATION IN THE EASTERN CHAD. MUBARAK HAD DISCUSSED THESE DEMANDS WITH MALLOUM, WHO, ACCORDING TO SADAT, WITHDREW HIS REQUEST FOR SUDANESE MILITARY OCCUPATION OF EASTERN CHAD AND WELCOMED A RECONCILIATION WITH HABRE. BOTH MALLOUM AND HABRE ARE AGAINST THE LIBYAN OCCUPATION OF NORTHERN CHAD. ACCORDING TO SADAT, NUMAYRI HAD CALLED AGAIN THE PREVIOUS DAY TO EXPRESS HIS PLEASURE THAT THE FRAMEWORK OF A RECONCILIATION HAD BEEN ARRANGED. SADAT WAS A BIT BAGUE ON WHETHER SUCH A RECONCILIATION HAS IN FACT BEEN CONCLUDED, BUT GAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT NUMAYRI WILL TAKE CHARGE OF THE DETAILS OF DOING SO.

5. IN ADVISING PRES CARTER OF THE ABOVE, SADAT INDICATED THAT MALLOUM IS STILL IN NEED OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE AND TRANSPORT TO MEET THE THREAT FROM THE NORTH. HE HOPED THAT THE TALKS WITH THE CHADIAN VP WILL GO WELL.

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